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(54) **A HEARING DEVICE ADAPTED FOR MATCHING INPUT TRANSDUCERS USING THE VOICE OF A WEARER OF THE HEARING DEVICE**

(57) A hearing device, e.g. a hearing aid, comprises first and second separate, interconnectable parts comprising first and second input transducers, respectively, for providing first and second electric input signals, respectively, representative of sound in an environment of the user, and a beamformer filtering unit configured to provide a spatially filtered signal based thereon, and a memory comprising a previously determined own voice transfer function corresponding to a target sound source located at said user's mouth. The hearing device is configured to determine an updated own voice transfer function according to activation of a predefined trigger, when the user's own voice is present, and to store an updated own voice transfer function in said memory. The hearing device further comprises at least one combination unit configured to apply a first multiplication factor to at least one of the first and second electric input signals, and a control unit configured to determine the first multiplication factor so as to decrease, e.g. minimize a difference measure representative of a difference between the previously determined own voice transfer function and the updated own voice transfer function.

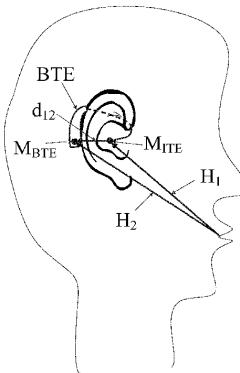


FIG. 1A

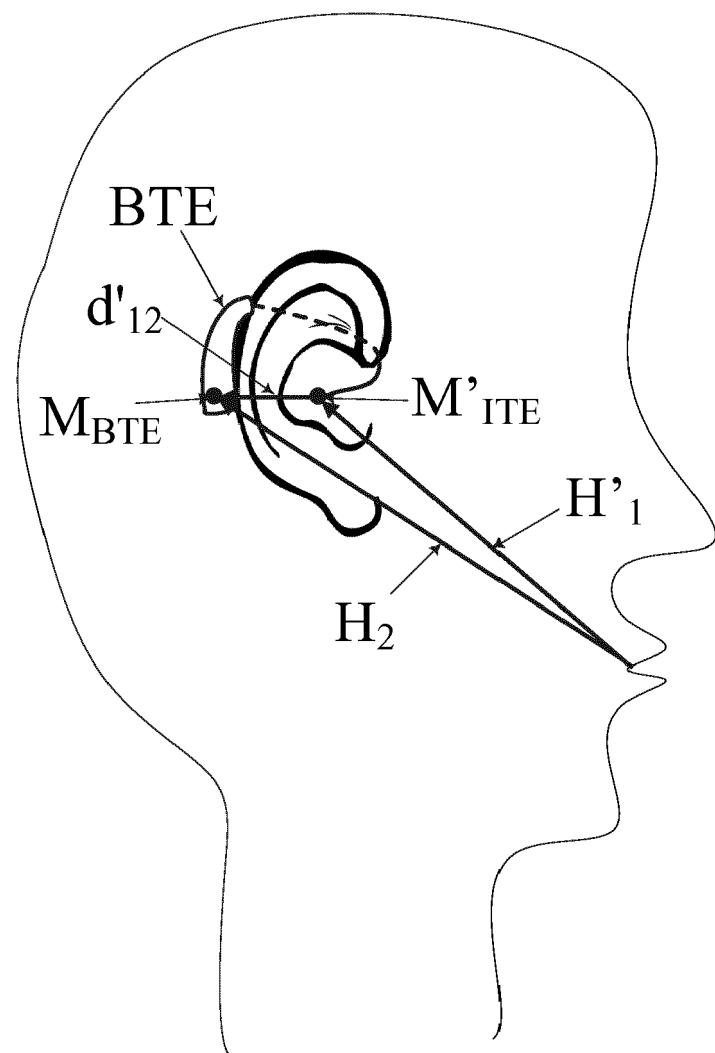


FIG. 1B



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## Reason for the limitation of the search:

Claim 15 attempts to define a "non-transitory application, termed an APP, comprising executable instructions configured to be executed on an auxiliary device to implement a user interface for a hearing device according to any one of claims 1-11".

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However, the claim fails to define any technical features of the user interface or the method for implementing the user interface, respectively. The mere definition that the user interface is "suitable for" a hearing device according to any of claims 1-11 does not imply any technical limitations regarding the user interface, because claim 15 does not define which features of the hearing device of claims 1-11 (if any) should be controlled by the user interface. Even if it were defined in claim 15 that the "predefined trigger" of claim 1 is generated via the user interface, as understood from p. 31, l. 30-32 of the description (as well as claim 13), the claim would merely define (an application for implementing) a user interface for "activating" a certain function on a hearing device, which corresponds to a simple "start" button. Such a program is so unduly broad that it cannot be searched.

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